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REMOVABLE BATTERY BLOCK**

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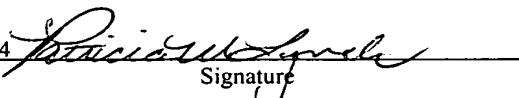
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DE 198 49 769 A1 shows a frame for a forklift truck powered by a combustion engine but does not have a battery block. Copies of Japanese references JP 9-82300 and JP 2002-265191 corresponding to the listed English-language Patent Abstracts of Japan documents are also enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

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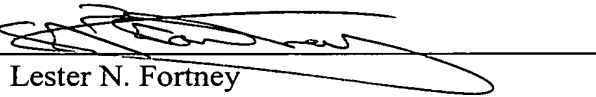
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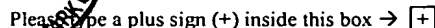
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